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Project Action Memorandum

Project No. 10,697
Date: 18 April 1955

TITLE: Defense Expenditures for Bloc Countries, 1946-55

REQUESTER: FOA

STATEMENT OF PROBLEM AND TERMS OF REFERENCE:

Problem: Data in support of FCR study on the scope of world armament expenditure.

Terms of Reference: The following data are requested on Eastern Europe (including E. Germany), USSR, China, and other Asian Communist areas:

1. Defense expenditures (in current dollars adjusted by "balistic" exchange rates) by year since World War II (1946).
2. Percentage of defense expenditure of total budget.
3. Percentage of defense expenditure of GNP.
4. Please forward an original and three copies of finished paper.

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